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STATUS OF PROJECTS

1. COMPLETED PROJECTS
(February 18, 1952 - February 25, 1952)

(NONE)

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2. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC

A. NSC MEETING

At the direction of the President, the regular Council meeting scheduled for February 27 has been canceled.

PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC (Cont'd)

B. ITEMS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY MEMORANDUM ACTION

INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT FOR THE VOICE OF AMERICA WITH REGARD TO SOVIET JAMMING

(Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated February 28, 1951 and January 2, 1952; NSC Action No. 446; NSC 66/1)

Memorandum by the Director of Central Intelligence on the subject relating to the implementation of NSC 66/1 was submitted by the reference memo of January 2 for consideration by the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Director of Defense Mobilization and the Chairman, Federal Communications Commission. Approved by DMS, January 3; by FCC (with comments), January 5; by ODM, January 7; by State, January 17. The Acting Secretary of Defense approved on February 25 with comments which, at his request, are being circulated for the information of the NSC, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Director of Defense Mobilization and the Chairman, Federal Communications Commission. Awaiting action by others concerned.

DISSEMINATION OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS
(NSCID No. 1, Revised January 19, 1950; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated February 18, 1952)

Memorandum by the Director of Central Intelligence on the subject, which proposes a change in NSCID No. 1, was submitted by the reference memo for consideration by the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General and the Director of Defense Mobilization. Approved by ODM, February 19; by NSRB, February 21. Awaiting action by others concerned.

PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC (Cont'd)

C. ITEMS AWAITING SUBSEQUENT NSC CONSIDERATION

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO THE COMMUNIST THREAT TO ITALY

(Progress Report, dated January 25, 1952, by the Under Secretary of State on NSC 67/3)

The reference Progress Report by the Under Secretary of State on the subject has been circulated for the information of the Council and will be scheduled on the agenda of an early Council meeting.

FORMULATION OF A UNITED STATES POSITION WITH RESPECT TO THE REGULATION, LIMITATION AND BALANCED REDUCTION OF ARMED FORCES AND ARMAMENTS

(Progress Report, dated January 29, 1952, by the Secretary of State on NSC 112)

The reference Progress Report by the Secretary of State on the subject has been circulated for the information of the Council and will be scheduled on the agenda of an early Council meeting.

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO SWITZERLAND

(Progress Report, dated February 5, 1952, by the Under Secretary of State on NSC 119)

The reference Progress Report by the Under Secretary of State on the subject has been circulated for the information of the Council and will be scheduled on the agenda of an early Council meeting.

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO THE PHILIPPINES

(Progress Report, dated February 11, 1952, by the Under Secretary of State on NSC 84/2)

The reference Progress Report by the Under Secretary of State on the subject has been circulated for the information of the Council, and will be scheduled on the agenda of an early Council meeting.

UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND COURSES OF ACTION WITH RESPECT TO COMMUNIST AGGRESSION IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

(NSC 124 and Annex to NSC 124; NSC Action No. 597; NSC 48/5; NSC 64)

The Council on December 19, discussed the situation in Indochina in the light of recurring rumors of impending Chinese Communist intervention, and at the suggestion of the Secretary of State, directed the Senior NSC Staff to expedite the report on U.S. policy toward Southeast Asia, with particular reference to possible courses of action regarding Indochina (NSC Action No. 597-b).

PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC (Cont'd)

UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND COURSES OF ACTION WITH RESPECT TO
COMMUNIST AGGRESSION IN SOUTHEAST ASIA (Cont'd)

Draft statement of policy on the subject, prepared by the NSC Staff in accordance with NSC Action No. 597-b, has been submitted as NSC 124 for consideration by the NSC. A related NSC Staff study has been circulated separately for Council information as an Annex to NSC 124. Awaiting consideration by the Council at an early meeting.

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3. CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS

A. SENIOR NSC STAFF

EFFECTIVE UTILIZATION OF THE CIVILIAN MANPOWER OF NON-SOVIET NATIONS FOR WORK OF VALUE TO THE MOBILIZATION PROGRAM

(Memos for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject, "Proposed NSC Study of Use of Foreign Manpower for Production," dated March 29 and April 16, 1951; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated October 17, 1951)

Memos by the Acting Senior NSRB Member and by the Senior ODM Member transmitted by the reference memos of March 29 and April 16, respectively, were considered by the Senior Staff on April 17. It was agreed that ODM should undertake the preparation of a report on the subject for consideration by the NSC Staff along the lines proposed by ODM in the report attached to the reference memo of April 19. The Staff further agreed to the inclusion of NSRB and Mr. Harriman's Office among the agencies to be consulted by ODM.

Draft statement of policy prepared by an inter-agency group under the chairmanship of ODM and including representatives of the Departments of State, Defense and Labor, ECA, NSRB and Mr. Harriman's Office was transmitted to the Senior Staff for consideration by the reference memo of October 17 together with a memo from the Senior ODM Member and the comments of the inter-agency group in explanation of the proposed statement of policy.

The Senior Staff at its meeting on October 30 considered the draft report and referred it to the NSC Staff Assistants, with the advice and assistance of representatives of the other departments and agencies concerned, for the preparation of a revised report in the light of the discussion. The draft report was discussed by the Staff Assistants, augmented by representatives of the Departments of Justice and Labor and of ECA, at meetings on November 1 and 2 and referred to a drafting group for revision in the light of the discussion. Memorandum from the ECA representative together with its attached redraft of paragraph 5 of the draft report, and an ECA airgram on the ECA Production Assistance Program were circulated on November 16 for the information of the Staff Assistants and were considered in the preparation of a revised draft report by the drafting group. Draft statement of policy on the subject, prepared by the drafting group, was circulated to the Staff Assistants on November 29. Proposed redraft of the draft statement of policy of November 29, prepared by the Department of Labor, NSRB and ECA, was circulated to the Staff Assistants

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on December 18. A correction to this redraft was circulated on December 26. The status of this project and of the related military manpower project below are scheduled for discussion at a meeting of the Senior Staff on February 28.

UTILIZATION OF MANPOWER OF OTHER NATIONS FOR MILITARY PURPOSES
(NSC 108 and memo for all holders of NSC 108, dated April 24, 1951; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated May 8, 1951; NSC Action No. 472; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "Effective Utilization of Civilian Manpower of Non-Soviet Nations for Work of Value to the Mobilization Program," dated October 17, 1951)

At the suggestion of the Senior State Member, the Senior NSC Staff on December 12, 1950 agreed to designate an ad hoc group under the Chairmanship of a JCS official and with officials from State, NSRB, Mr. Harriman's Office, and CIA, to prepare a draft report on the subject.

The report by the ad hoc committee was considered and amended by the NSC Staff for submission to the NSC as NSC 108. JCS views circulated by the reference memo of May 8. At its 91st Meeting the NSC referred NSC 108 to the NSC Staff for reconsideration. On May 17 the Senior Staff referred NSC 108 to the Staff Assistants for revision in the light of the discussion.

On June 13 the Staff Assistants agreed that an initial draft on the subject of civilian manpower should be completed with a view to the subsequent preparation of a report combining the civilian and military aspects of the subject for Senior Staff consideration. At a meeting on November 2 in connection with their consideration of the draft report on civilian manpower (see project above) the Staff Assistants agreed that, when a revision of the latter report was transmitted to the Senior Staff, the Staff Assistants should recommend to the Senior Staff the cancellation of the project on military manpower. The status of this project and of the related civilian manpower project above are scheduled for discussion at a meeting of the Senior Staff on February 28.

ORGANIZED AND COORDINATED PROGRAM OF PRECLUSIVE BUYING
(Memo for NSC from Acting Executive Secretary, same subject, dated February 11, 1952; NSC 104/2, paragraphs 11 and 12; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject, "Assignment of Responsibilities for Economic Defense" dated November 7, 1951 and January 25, 1952; NSC Action No. 126)

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

ORGANIZED AND COORDINATED PROGRAM OF PRECLUSIVE BUYING (Cont'd)

Memorandum by the Chairman, NSRB, and its attached draft analysis on the subject were circulated by the reference memo of February 11 for the information of the Council, the Secretaries of the Treasury and Commerce, the Director of Defense Mobilization and the Director, Bureau of the Budget. The memorandum and its attached draft analysis were referred to the Senior NSC Staff for use in the preparation of appropriate recommendations for Council consideration. Scheduled for consideration at a meeting of the Senior Staff on February 28.

CONDITIONS FOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT
WITH THE USSR

/PRIORITY PROJECT/

(Records of Senior NSC Staff Meetings February 23 and May 24, 1951; NSC 79; NSC 112; NSC Action No. 511; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject: "United States and Allied Objectives in the Event of Global War," dated September 6, 1950)

On February 23, 1951, the Senior NSC Staff agreed that the NSC 79 project on United States and allied war objectives should be completed in two sections and that the section on the above subject, including a plan for reduction and regulation of armaments and armed forces, should be completed as a matter of priority. On May 24 the Senior Staff agreed that the completion of this project would provide an important background for obtaining popular support for U. S. national security policies.

Report by the Secretaries of State and Defense in connection with the plan referred to above, adopted by the Council (NSC Action No. 511) and approved by the President as NSC 112. On July 10, the Senior NSC Staff noted that NSC 112 was the first step toward completion of this project and that further work would proceed in the light of Council action on NSC 112. At its meeting on November 20, in connection with a review of the NSC Status of Projects, the Senior Staff agreed that the Senior State, Defense and JCS members, together with the Executive Secretary, would meet at an early date to review progress on this project. Awaiting report by the State, Defense and JCS members. (See also related projects below.)

UNITED STATES AND ALLIED WAR OBJECTIVES IN THE EVENT OF
GLOBAL WAR

(NSC 79; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated September 6, 1950)

JCS memo (NSC 79) circulated for Council information and referred to the Staff for use in the preparation of a report.

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

UNITED STATES AND ALLIED WAR OBJECTIVES IN THE EVENT OF GLOBAL WAR (Cont'd)

The Senior Staff designated an ad hoc group to draft a report to include both a statement of war objectives in the event of global war, and such related questions as a statement of the conditions that the U. S. would be willing to accept for a peaceful settlement with the USSR and its satellites. At the initial meeting of the ad hoc group under the chairmanship of the State member on October 6, 1950, the form and content of a response to the problems posed by NSC 79 were discussed and agreed upon.

On February 23, 1951, the Senior Staff agreed that this project should be divided as follows: (1) a statement of U. S. and allied war objectives in the event of a global war; and (2) a statement of the conditions the U. S. would be willing to accept for a peaceful settlement with the USSR, including a plan for the reduction and regulation of armaments and armed forces. At its meeting on November 20, in connection with a review of the NSC Status of Projects, the Senior Staff agreed that the Senior State, Defense and JCS members, together with the Executive Secretary, would meet at an early date to review progress on this project. Awaiting initial draft by the State Policy Planning Staff of the project listed under (1) above. (See also related projects above and below.)

UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND PROGRAMS FOR NATIONAL SECURITY
(NSC 68 Series; NSC 114 Series; NSC Action No. 575; Memo for Senior NSC Staff, from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated November 6, 1951)

The Council on October 17 (NSC Action No. 575 -c), directed the Senior NSC Staff to submit for Council consideration at the earliest practicable date a reappraisal of the policies and programs set forth in the NSC 68 and 114 Series, including a revision of Part I of NSC 114/2 and in the light of: (1) Further analysis of Soviet atomic capabilities as indicated by the recent explosion of another atomic bomb in the USSR; and (2) the current evaluation of the net capability of the USSR to injure the continental United States (see Section 4). At its meeting on October 24, the Senior NSC Staff noted the statement by the Executive Secretary that the Senior State member had agreed to prepare a draft of the political and foreign policy considerations to be included in the reappraisal of the NSC 68 and 114 Series; and that the Senior Defense, JCS and CIA members would prepare a revision of the portions of Part I of NSC 114/2 relating to military capabilities, in the light of the two factors mentioned above.

At the request of the Director, Psychological Strategy Board, paragraphs on "Psychological Strategy in the Ensuing Years,"

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND PROGRAMS FOR NATIONAL SECURITY (Cont'd)

prepared by the Staff of the PSB, were circulated by the reference memo of November 6 for the information of the Senior Staff, and were referred to the Senior State member for consideration in connection with his preparation of the draft of the political and foreign policy considerations to be included in the reappraisal of the NSC 68 and 114 Series.

The Steering Committee on this project, at a meeting on February 19, agreed that as an initial step, outlines on the following topics should be prepared as indicated, for consideration by the Steering Committee at an early meeting: (1) Assets and Liabilities of the Soviet Empire versus the Free World (the Senior CIA Member); (2) Bases of Soviet and Communist Actions (the Senior State Member); and (3) Analysis of the Situation in Major Areas of the World (the Senior State Member). The Steering Committee also agreed that the reappraisal of policies called for by NSC Action No. 575-c should be ready for Council consideration not later than April 2, 1952. Awaiting draft outlines from the Senior State and CIA Members as indicated above and preparation of a report by the Steering Committee. (See also related projects above and below.)

UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND COURSES OF ACTION IN KOREA
(NSC 118/2; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated December 18, 1951; NIE-55; SE-20; NSC Action No. 595)

The Council in adopting NSC 118/1 as amended (subsequently issued as NSC 118/2), referred the alternative versions of subparagraph 2-b-(6) to the Senior NSC Staff for review in the light of an analysis of the traffic in and out of Communist China and of the probable effectiveness of an embargo or blockade (NSC Action No. 595-a-(4)). Awaiting preparation of a draft report by the Steering Committee.

SECURITY OF STRATEGICALLY IMPORTANT INDUSTRIAL OPERATIONS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES

(Progress Report, dated July 24, 1951 by the Department of State on NSC 29; NSC Action Nos. 531 and 610)

By NSC Action No. 531 the Council referred the reference Progress Report to the Senior NSC Staff for recommendations regarding the desirability of a revision of the list of operations contained therein and the frequency of future progress reports by the Department of State. On September 27,

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SECURITY OF STRATEGICALLY IMPORTANT INDUSTRIAL OPERATIONS IN
FOREIGN COUNTRIES (Cont'd)

in connection with a review of the NSC Status of Projects, the Senior Staff agreed that the State Department, with the assistance of a sub-committee composed of representatives from Defense, NSRB, ODM, and CIA, would assume responsibility for the preparation of a draft report pursuant to NSC Action No. 531. Memorandum from the Office of the Secretary of Defense dated October 2, 1951, which advised that recommendations by the Munitions Board for revision of the list of strategically important industrial operations would be submitted by December 15, 1951, has been transmitted to the Senior State member of the NSC Staff for his information and use in connection with this project. Awaiting report by State.

PROVISION FOR STATE FORCES

(NSC 96/1 and NSC 96; NSC Action No. 409; Memo for Members of Staff group from Executive Secretary, subject: "Provision for State Guard Forces," dated May 7, 1951; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated September 19, 1951).

At the request of the Secretary of Defense, NSC 96 on the subject was submitted for Council consideration. At its 77th meeting, by the reference action, the Council agreed to request the Chairman, NSRB, to develop, in consultation with other interested agencies, a plan for the provision of essential Federal guidance and assistance to the States in organizing reserves to perform State and local security functions when the National Guard is ordered into active military service, this plan to include any necessary Federal legislation.

Report by the Chairman, NSRB, circulated for Council information as NSC 96/1 and referred to the NSC Staff for use in the preparation of a report for Council consideration. On April 12 the Senior Staff discussed NSC 96/1 and referred it to the Defense, JCS and NSRB Staff members together with officials from the Department of Justice, the Bureau of the Budget, and the Federal Civil Defense Administration, for use in the preparation of a report for Senior Staff consideration.

Draft outline, prepared by the Executive Secretary, transmitted to the above staff group by the reference memo, and discussed at a meeting on May 14. With some modifications, the outline was adopted as a working guide and the proposed assignments were accepted. A new draft report, prepared on the basis of material submitted by Defense, Justice and Civil Defense, in accordance with the agreed outline, was trans-

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mitted to the Senior Staff by the reference memo of September 19. Awaiting consideration of the draft report by the Senior Staff.

RELATIVE COST OF ENSURING AVAILABILITY OF CERTAIN MIDDLE EAST OIL FACILITIES OR OF OFFSETTING THEIR LOSS

(Record of Meeting of Senior NSC Staff on November 27, 1951; NSC 97/2; Memo for the Steering Committee on the NSC 97 Series, from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated February 18, 1952).

The Senior NSC Staff at its meeting on November 27, agreed that, in connection with but not necessarily as a part of the Mediterranean and Middle East project (below), the Department of Defense should prepare a study of the cost of the military effort in terms of feasibility, time and material, and the forces required to ensure the continued availability of oil from the Bahrein-Qatar-Saudi Arabia area, and the Office of Defense Mobilization should prepare a study of the economic cost in terms of feasibility, time and material required to offset the loss of oil from that area. JCS views on the feasibility of holding the Bahrein-Qatar-Saudi Arabia area are being transmitted by the reference memo for the use of the Steering Committee on NSC 97 in connection with this project. Awaiting report by ODM. (See also NSC 97 project in Section 4 below.)

THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN AND MIDDLE EAST /PRIORITY PROJECT/

(Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated December 12, 1950; NIE-14 and 26; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "World-Wide Demand and supply of Petroleum in Event of a Major War," dated August 3, 1951; Records of Senior NSC Staff Meetings, December 29, 1950 and July 10 and August 16, 1951; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "The Position of the United States with Respect to the General Area of the Eastern Mediterranean, Red Sea and Persian Gulf," dated October 5, 1951; NSC 117; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject: "Security of Certain Middle East Areas," dated December 11, 1951; Memo for the Steering Committee on the Middle East from Executive Secretary, subject; "The Position of the United States with Respect to the Area Comprising the Arab States, Iran and Israel," dated January 30, 1952; Memo for the Steering Committee on the Middle East from the Executive Secretary, subject; "United States Objectives and Policies with Respect to the Area of the Arab States, Iran and Israel During the Period of the Cold War," dated February 21, 1952; NSC 97/2)

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN AND MIDDLE EAST (Cont'd)

Memo by the Senior State Member on the subject transmitted by the reference memo of December 12, 1950 and considered by the Senior Staff on December 29, 1950, when it was agreed that an initial draft report should be prepared by State and that CIA should furnish an intelligence estimate of local attitudes and conditions which affect protection of our interests and the realization of our objectives. On February 23, 1950 the Senior NSC Staff agreed that this project should be completed as a matter of priority. CIA estimate circulated as NIE-26.

On July 10 the Senior Staff agreed that this report should proceed without awaiting completion of the related project on a national petroleum program (NSC 97, see Section 4 below), but that the report should not be submitted for NSC consideration until the information being developed in connection with the petroleum report could be taken into account. On August 16 the Senior Staff discussed the report prepared by the Petroleum Administrator for Defense and transmitted by the reference memo of August 3, and agreed that this report should be studied further by the Senior Staff before finally completing a report on the Eastern Mediterranean and the Middle East. Draft statement of policy and NSC Staff study, which takes account of the preliminary material on the world oil situation being assembled in connection with the NSC 97 project, was prepared by the Department of State and transmitted by the reference memo of October 5 for the consideration of the Senior Staff. State Department amendments to the draft statement of policy were made available to the Senior Staff on October 24.

Memo from the Joint Chiefs of Staff on "The Anglo-Iranian Problem" was submitted to the Council at the request of the Secretary of Defense as NSC 117. At its meeting on October 24, the Senior Staff discussed the draft report prepared by State together with NSC 117 and agreed that the draft report should be referred to the Senior State, Defense, JCS and CIA members for the preparation of a revised draft in the light of the discussion. At its meeting on October 25 the Senior Staff, in connection with a discussion of the project on a national petroleum program, agreed that the revised draft report should take account of the importance of Middle Eastern oil to the free world both in war time and in peace time. Comments and suggestions by the Senior ODM member and a memorandum by the Senior Representative, PSB, both relating to the draft report,

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN AND MIDDLE EAST (Cont'd)

were transmitted to Senior State, Defense, JCS and CIA members for use in the preparation of a revised draft report. At its meeting on November 20 the Senior Staff agreed that NSC 117 should be listed in the Status of Projects as a reference in connection with the project on the Eastern Mediterranean and Middle East, rather than as a separate item.

On December 11, the Senior Staff Steering Committee referred the draft report, prepared by State, to the Staff Assistants for the preparation of a revised draft. Draft statement of policy on the subject, prepared by a Staff Assistants sub-committee and based on the draft NSC Staff study prepared by State (reference memo of January 30) was transmitted by the reference memo of February 21 for consideration by the Steering Committee on the Middle East at a meeting on February 26. (See also related project above.)

UNITED STATES POSITION WITH RESPECT TO JAPAN
(NSC 125; NSC 48/5; NSC 60/1)

At the direction of the President, a memorandum from the President to the Acting Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense on "Interim Policy With Respect to Japan," and its attachments, consisting of a memorandum to the President from the Acting Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense on the same subject, an "Interim Policy with Respect to Japan," and an "Interim Directive to the Commander-in-Chief, Far East, Concerning the Joint Committee Provided in the Administrative Agreement With Japan," are being transmitted as NSC 125 for the information of the NSC. Pursuant to the President's request, NSC 125 is being referred to the Senior NSC Staff for its information and use in the preparation of a report on Japan for Council consideration. Awaiting consideration by the Senior Staff.

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

B. NSC STAFF ASSISTANTS

UNITED STATES POLICY WITH RESPECT TO BERLIN AND EASTERN GERMANY

(NSC 89; NSC 73/4, par. 42; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject: "Additional airlift to support the Far East," dated September 27 and November 20, 1950; NSC Action No. 368; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated October 31, 1950; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "Courses of Action in the event East Germany Imposes a Blockade in Berlin", dated February 16, 1951; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "United States Policy With Regard to a Possible New Berlin Blockade," dated March 27, 1951; NIE-4)

At its 69th Meeting the Council noted the reference memo of September 27, 1950 and the fact that the situation presented therein would be taken into consideration in the studies on the Berlin blockade referred to in par. 42 of NSC 73/4. Memoranda on the subject by the Deputy Under Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense were circulated for Council information as NSC 89, and referred to the NSC Staff for use in connection with this Staff project. JCS study on airlift capabilities circulated to Senior Staff by the reference memo of October 31, 1950. Subsequent memo by the Deputy Secretary of Defense (reference memo of November 20, 1950) circulated for Council information and referred to the Staff for consideration in connection with this project. Views of the JCS on "Courses of Action in the Event East Germany Imposes a Blockade in Berlin" circulated by the reference memo of February 16, 1951 to the Senior Staff for consideration in connection with this project upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Defense. NIE-4, issued by CIA, relates to the above subject.

On February 23, 1951 the Senior Staff noted that the JCS views would be taken into account in the early completion of a draft report on "U. S. Policy With Respect to Berlin and Eastern Germany," now under preparation in the Department of State in collaboration with the Department of Defense. Report by State circulated by reference memo dated March 27, considered by the Senior Staff on April 3 and referred to the Staff Assistants for revision in the light of the discussion. At its meeting on November 20, in connection with a review of the NSC Status of Projects, the Senior Staff agreed that the Staff Assistants should endeavor to complete this project as soon as possible. Awaiting initial draft by ad hoc group of Staff Assistants.

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C. OTHER CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS

RELEASE OF INFORMATION REGARDING NEW WEAPONS

(Memo for NSC Consultants and AEC Representative, from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated July 5, 1950)

At the direction of the President, the Council and the Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission undertook a consideration of the general problem of weapons information, including atomic weapons, in order to make appropriate recommendations to the President on the subject. A draft report, prepared by the Executive Secretary in accordance with the discussion at a meeting on June 22, 1950, was circulated to the NSC Staff and a representative of the AEC by the reference memo. At a meeting on November 20, 1951, in connection with a review of the NSC Status of Projects, the Senior NSC Staff agreed that this project should be referred to the Psychological Strategy Board for appropriate action. Awaiting report by the Psychological Strategy Board.

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(NSC 113; Progress Report, dated December 20, 1951, by the NSC Representative on Internal Security on NSC 17/4 and 17/6)

A letter by the President on the subject was transmitted as NSC 113 for the information of the Council, and referred to the ICIS for preparation of a response for Council consideration, as directed by the President in the fourth paragraph thereof. As further directed by the President, the Chairman, Civil Service Commission, has been requested to participate with the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General and the Director of Defense Mobilization in this project. Awaiting report by the ICIS.

ELIGIBILITY OF FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVES TO RECEIVE CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

(Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 14, and November 19, 1951; NSC Action No. 507; Progress Report, dated December 20, 1951, by the NSC Representative on Internal Security on NSC 17/4 and 17/6)

Memorandum by the Chairman, Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security (ICIS), and attached draft Presidential directive together with a report and proposed regulations on the subject, were transmitted by the reference memo of June 14 for consideration by the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General, the Director of Defense Mobilization and the Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission. Approved by ODM, June 19; by Justice, June 21; by State, June 28; by Treasury, June 29; by NSRB, July 2; by AEC, July 9.

The Acting Secretary of Defense on July 2 recommended that the Council defer action on this memorandum until the Standing Group of the NATO has had an opportunity to examine the proposed regulations. On July 11 the NSC agreed that further consideration should be deferred, pending the outcome of the NATO negotiations, as recommended by the Acting Secretary of Defense (NSC Action No. 507).

Memorandum from the Office of the Secretary of Defense and its attached report on the present status of negotiations within NATO were circulated by the reference memo of November 19 for the information of the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General, the Director of Defense Mobilization and the Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission. In accordance with

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the proposal by the Department of Defense in the first sentence of the memorandum, the draft Presidential directive and related papers on the subject, transmitted by the reference memo of June 14, were referred back to the ICIS for reconsideration in the light of this memorandum from the Department of Defense. Awaiting report by the ICIS.

A PROJECT TO PROVIDE A MORE ADEQUATE BASIS FOR PLANNING FOR THE SECURITY OF THE UNITED STATES

(Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 5, July 17 and 30 and August 7, 1951; NSC Action No. 519; NSC Action No. 543)

Memorandum by the Chairman, Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security, and its attached report by the ICIS on the subject, were transmitted by the reference memo of June 5 for Council consideration of the "Recommendations" contained in Part VII thereof and of the proposed National Security Council Directive. Prior to Council action, at the direction of the President, the views of the Director of Central Intelligence were requested and transmitted by the reference memo of July 17 for consideration by the Council concurrently with the ICIS report. JCS views submitted by the reference memo of July 30.

At its meeting on August 1 the Council agreed to the four steps proposed by the JCS in paragraph 3 of the reference memo of July 30, subject to the assignment of paragraph 3-b to the Interdepartmental Intelligence Conference. The Council also agreed that the resulting reports should be integrated into a single report to it under the coordination of the Director of Central Intelligence with the assistance of representatives of the appropriate departments and agencies. The Director of Central Intelligence undertook to prepare a directive along these lines for consideration by the Council.

Draft directive on the subject, prepared by the Director of Central Intelligence was approved by the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General and the Director of Defense Mobilization (NSC Action No. 543). Awaiting report by the Director of Central Intelligence.

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OTHER CURRENT COUNCIL PROJECTS (Cont'd)

A NATIONAL PETROLEUM PROGRAM

(NSC 97 and NSC 97/2; Memos for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "World-Wide Demand and Supply of Petroleum in Event of a Major War," dated August 3 and October 8, 1951; Record of Meeting of Senior NSC Staff of August 16, 1951; Memos for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated August 20 and October 24, 1951; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject, "Security of Certain Middle East Areas," dated December 11, 1951; NSC Action No. 592)

At the direction of the President, a letter from the Acting Secretary of Defense on the subject (NSC 97) was referred to the Director of Defense Mobilization to develop a national petroleum program leading to the complete supply of allied requirements, for consideration by the NSC. Interim report on the subject (NSC 97/1), prepared by the NSC Staff based largely on studies by ODM and PAD, was amended by the Council and submitted to the President on December 12 (NSC Action No. 592). The President on December 13 approved the Interim Recommendations contained in NSC 97/1, as amended, and directed their implementation by all executive departments and agencies of the U. S. Government under the coordination of the Director of Defense Mobilization. Report as amended subsequently issued as NSC 97/2. Awaiting further reports on a national petroleum program by the Director of Defense Mobilization.

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